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The present invention relates to the fields of molecular biology, protein purification, protein crystallization, X-ray diffraction analysis, three-dimensional-structure determination, rational drug design and molecular modeling of related proteins and mutants. The present invention provides crystallization methods and crystallized human interleukin-22 (IL-22). Whenever interleukin-22 or IL-22 is referenced hereafter, references is made to SEQ ID NO: 2. The crystallized IL-22 is physically analyzed by X-ray diffraction techniques. The resulting X-ray diffraction patterns are of sufficiently high resolution to be useful for determining the three-dimensional structure of IL-22, molecular modeling of related proteins and mutants.